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SUBJECT: NATIONAL DAY MESSAGE

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING TO PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING AT APPROPRIATE TIME PRIOR TO JULY 14. QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON BEHALF OF ALL AMERICANS I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND TO YOU AND TO THE PEOPLE OF FRANCE SINCERE BEST WISHES ON THE CELEBRATION OF BASTILLE DAY. THIS ANNI-VERSARY HAS SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE TO THE PEOPLE OF BOTH AMERICA AND FRANCE. DURING OUR BICENTENNIAL YEAR, WE AGAIN RECALL FRANCE'S VITAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE SECURING OF OUR INDEPENDENCE. WE TAKE PRIDE IN HOLDING THE KEY TO THE BASTILLE WHICH LAFAYETTE SENT AS A TRIBUTE TO GEORGE WASHINGTON AND WHICH REMAINS A SYMBOL OF THE COMMON DEDICATION OF OUR TWO NATIONS TO LIBERTY AND JUSTICE. YOUR RECENT VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES UNDERSCORED THE DEEP FRIENDSHIP AND ESTEEM BETWEEN FRANCE AND AMERICA. THAT RELATIONSHIP, NURTURED BY 200 YEARS OF SHARED IDEALS AND EXPERIENCES, WILL SURELY ENDURE AND GROW IN THE YEARS
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